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DEAR MR. WILSON:

THIS IS IN RESPONSE TO YOUR LAST LETTER OF 12 JULY 1978 AND
MY FOI REQUEST CONCERNING [REDACTED] OF APRIL 1977.

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I UNDERSTAND THE PROBLEM YOU (THE CIA) HAVE IN ANSWERING ALL OF
THE QUESTIONS PUT TO YOU IN MY LETTER OF 27 MARCH. TRUE THE FOIA
DOES NOT REQUIRE THAT YOU COMPLY WITH MY REQUEST HOWEVER MOST
AGENCIES DO ANSWER SIMILAR QUESTIONS AS A MATTER OF COURTESY. I
AM NOT DEMANDING ANSWERS FROM YOU AS I FULLY RESPECT THE CIA'S
PRIMARY MISSION WHICH IS NOT ANSWERING QUESTIONS OR EVEN FOI
REQUESTS.

IN THE ALTERNATIVE I WOULD BE SATISFIED AT THIS TIME IF YOU COULD
SEND ME THE NAME OF THE MANUAL WHICH GIVES THE MEANING OF SUCH TERMS
AS "FBIS", "BECAL", ETC. THIS MANUAL SEEMS TO BE A STANDARD THROUGH-
OUT THE U.S. GOVERNMENT AGENCIES. IT HAS BEEN SUGGESTED TO ME THAT
THE MANUAL IS A BOOK OF SYMBOLS USED FOR PHRASES WHEN SENDING
TELEGRAMS AND THE LIKE.

IN REFERENCE TO MY APRIL 1977 REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON ROLANDO
MASFERRER, I WOULD APPRECIATE AN ESTIMATE AS TO WHEN I SHOULD EXPECT
COMPLIANCE. MY REQUEST IS NOW NEARING 19 MONTHS.

I APPRECIATE ALL THAT YOU AND YOUR STAFF HAVE DONE TO DATE AND
AM CONFIDENT THAT WHEN MY REQUEST IS COMPLETED YOU WILL SURPASS THE
PROFESSIONALISM WHICH YOU HAVE SHOWN TO DATE.

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